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U. S. Cancels Hoffa Phone Record Case

The Government dropped the prosecution yesterday of Violet A. Davis, 53, a telephone operator at the Woodner who was indicted on charges of conspiring to obstruct grand jury and Senate rackets committee investigations.

A grand jury charged last Dec. 2 that Mrs. Davis, of 27 Galveston pl. sw., and chief telephone operator, Sally T. Hucks, 46, obstructed the investigations by falsifying and destroying records of phone conversations from suites occupied by James R. Hoffa, Teamster Union president, and his aides.

Another indictment returned April 28 added a charge of perjury against Mrs. Hucks but did not mention Mrs. Davis. Justice Department attorneys declined to say whether Mrs. Davis will be called as a witness at the trial July 18.

Mrs. Hucks, of 429 Bellview drive, Falls Church, has pleaded not guilty to nine counts of the indictment, including a charge of falsely denying she owned a mink stole when Senate probers asked whether she had received gifts from Teamster officials.

Co-defendants are Moss Herman, a New York Teamster official, and Joseph M. Williamson of Urbana, Ill., who represented Herman at Senate hearings. Williamson and Mrs. Hucks are charged specifically with destroying telephone records which were under Senate Subpoena.